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 Petition Granted \_\_\_\_\_§ 1.84 (FILED NOVEMBER 3, 2000) Petition Denied \_\_\_\_\_ Petition Dismissed \_\_\_\_\_By direction of the Deputy  
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